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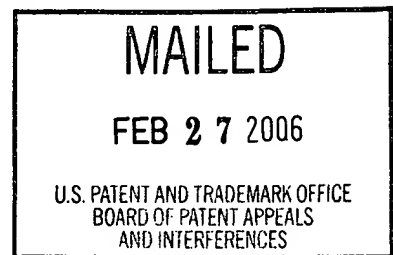
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte GREGORY L. MEREDITH AMIT MITAL,
ANTHONY ANDREWS, A. S. SIVAKUMAR, DONALD J. MCCRADY,
PATRICK J. HELLAND and BIMAL MEHTA.

Appeal No. 2005-2431
Application No. 09/620,771

HEARD: FEBRUARY 7, 2006



Before GROSS, MACDONALD, and NAPPI, *Administrative Patent Judges*.
MACDONALD, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION ON APPEAL

This is a decision on appeal from the final rejection of claims 1-40, 42-46, and 48-52. Contrary to the statements by the Examiner and Appellants, claims 41 and 47 have been cancelled and are not on appeal.

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ORDER

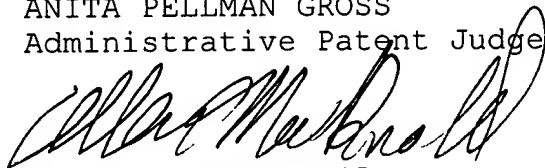
Upon consideration of the BRIEF ON APPEAL (filed September 2, 2004), the EXAMINER'S ANSWER (mailed November 22, 2004), and the REPLY BRIEF ON APPEAL (filed December 12, 2004), it is

ORDERED that the decision of Primary Examiner, rejecting claims 1-5, 7-15, 17-23, 25-36, 38-40, 42-43, 45-46, and 48-52 as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over Srinivasan (U.S. 5,548,506) and rejecting claims 6, 16, 24, 37, and 44 as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Srinivasan (U.S. 5,548,506), is reversed essentially for the reasons given in the BRIEF ON APPEAL and REPLY BRIEF ON APPEAL.

REVERSED



ANITA PELLMAN GROSS
Administrative Patent Judge



ALLEN R. MACDONALD
Administrative Patent Judge



ROBERT NAPPI
Administrative Patent Judge

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